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## Interview Summary

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Applicant(s)

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James W Myhre

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All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) James W Myhre.

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(2) Edward DeFrank.

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Date of Interview: 01 September 2004.

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference  
c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.

If Yes, brief description: \_\_\_\_\_.

Claim(s) discussed: 1.

Identification of prior art discussed: Donahue et al (5,987,480).

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: See Continuation Sheet.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE, OR THE MAILING DATE OF THIS INTERVIEW SUMMARY FORM, WHICHEVER IS LATER, TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached sheet.

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Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: The Applicant Representative (AR) discussed the independent claims and indicated that a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) would be filed along with a preliminary amendment. The AR requested the Examiner's opinion on the likelihood of receiving a first action final rejection if additional limitations are added to the claims. The Examiner noted that if the limitation were not previously claimed or considered a first action final would probably not be issued. The AR indicated that he had found some features in the specification which had not been previously been claimed and which he does not believe are in the cited prior art. The Examiner agreed that a further search would probably be required and that he would await the filing of the RCE..